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## MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

- 1. With this weekend's occurrences in Berlin there will be more and more pressure for us to adopt a harder military posture.
- 2. I do not think we can leave unused any of the men or money that were offered by the Congress with the exception perhaps of the bomber money.
- 3. I would appreciate it if you would plan to discuss this matter with me this week after you have made a judgment on it.
- 4. I am concerned that we move ahead as quickly as possible on Civil Defense. Perhaps we could get a report on that before the week is out.